

## FINANCIAL

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## CHRISTMAS

Save enough for the Turkey. There's a good one waiting for you at

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## Three Santa Clauses Busy in Norfolk

Winsted, Dec. 21.—To scores of Norfolk people there is but one Santa Claus—Miss Mary Eldridge, a philanthropist, who at each Yuletide gives the children of her town, and many grown ones, too, a Christmas excursion. This morning at half-past nine o'clock a special train chartered by Miss Eldridge left Norfolk bearing three hundred persons to a holiday dinner at the Ailyn House in Hartford.

On Wednesday H. H. Bridgman, of Norfolk, formerly president of the State Board of Charities and Mrs. Bridgman, who is a sister of Miss Eldridge will make Christmas for three hundred or more dependent children in the County Home here.

Later in the week Miss Isabelle Eldridge, of Norfolk, another sister, and founder of the Norfolk library, will give all the Catholic children in Norfolk a big Christmas tree.

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Yesterday the towns people were more than pleased to observe that trolley cars are now running with ten minutes headway. The Seaview avenue cars go to the center and then return to Bridgeport. It is understood, however, that the present arrangement is only temporary, for Christmas week. It has been proposed by Prof. Hargrove and others that the level piece of ground just east of St. Paul's, which has been used the past summer for a baseball ground, and which was once a pond hole, be flooded for skating. It is thought this can be done for little or no expense, and afford the pupils of the Hargrove school as well as the youth of the town, a delightful place for all the sports of the winter in which a skating surface is the prime factor.

According to program, the cornerstone of the new Baptist church was laid last Sunday, and drew quite a crowd of people from the surrounding towns. The church is so far completed that it was possible to hold services in it during the day.

The repainting of the west bound depot has been finished, and it is expected this week will see the whole job completed. Next Monday work will begin on the depot at Southport. It has cost some \$800 to paint all the buildings connected with the stations. The Hook & Ladder Company will hold a meeting this evening to perfect arrangements for the Christmas party to be held on New Year's.

Miss Eleanor Morehouse passed the week end with relatives in Waterbury.

The 5th and 8th grades of the Center school, which meet in the post office building, had to be dismissed yesterday forenoon, there not being sufficient heat.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Wheatley gave a little birthday party last night afternoon in compliment to Willie Wheatley, who is sorry that he is to leave town, where, he says, he has made many friends. Fifteen or twenty young folks gathered at the Wheatley residence, including the children of Selectman Fox, the Perry children, Fred Weston, Margaret Whalen, Elliot, Ruth and Esther Wakeman, and many others. A jolly time was the result.

Tonight the young folks meet to the grove for the decoration of the Congregational church.

Last night the officers of the Sunday school and the Fairfield Association held a meeting to make reports, elect officers for next year, and transact other business.

Yesterday a gentleman purchased a number of copies of the Fairfield Handbook of Local History, written by Dr. Child, to send away for Christmas presents. He remarks he thought such a gift far more appropriate than many which are made.

Nearly 40 volumes of juvenile books have just been added to the Pequot library, the more important of which include Seven Champions of Christendom, by Thomas Cartwright; Brownie Bakes, by Palmer Cox; On Track and Diamond, by George Harvey; Stories of Napoleon; Oliver Cromwell and William Tell, by H. E. Marshall; Winning Ways to West Point, by F. B. MacLane; Every Day Life in the Colonies, by Stone & Pickett; and Myths of Red Children, by G. L. Wilson.

Like Kind You Have Always Bought  
Peking mesaline is the name given to a particularly bustling silk striped chiffon cloth that is quite a favorite for blouses.

## A Holiday Necessity

A BOX OF

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UNEQUALLED  
CANDIES  
Fancy Boxes & Baskets in all Sizes & at all Prices in large variety of Designs

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MANICURE SETS  
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Call and see how we can serve you.

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## BUSINESS MEN NAMED TO FIGHT FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PRESIDENT BOLANDE SELECTS FIVE MEMBERS TO FORMULATE PLAN OF ACTION.

S. E. Vincent Is Chairman—Committee Instructed to Report Plans at the January Meeting of the Association.

In accord with the action of the Bridgeport Business Men's Association at the last meeting President Frank W. Bolande today announced the committee of five whose duty it is to formulate a plan of campaign for the business men to lend their efforts to effect if possible the creation at the next general assembly of a public utilities commission. The committee comprises S. E. Vincent, chairman; Moses W. Manwaring, James Feeley, L. E. Silliman and C. T. J. Murphy.

The committee is to report a plan of action at the next regular meeting of the association, in January. Chairman Vincent will call the committee meeting within a few days.

Mr. Vincent is wholesale and retail coal and grain dealer. Mr. Manwaring is chairman of the Congress street bridge commission and senator from the 22d Senatorial district. James Feeley is a real estate dealer. L. E. Silliman is a wholesale and retail dealer in oil. Col. T. J. Murphy is a wholesale and retail liquor dealer.

At the last meeting of the association it was brought out that the State Business Men's association with which the local body is affiliated had appropriated \$1,000 for expenses contingent upon the preparations of the state body to campaign for the proposed bill. It is expected that the local committee will provide some means for co-operation with the state body in stimulating public interest in favor of the public utilities commission.

## STRATFORD

Robert Russell, of this town, who was in the railroad wreck at Greensboro, N. C., and received a broken shoulder, and who was reported a few days ago as being critically ill in a hospital, arrived yesterday morning in New York in Mr. George's private car. A telegram from Mr. Gould says Mr. Russell is out of danger and proper rest will pull through all right.

Dr. Cogswell returns to town today from the medical school of Harvard University for a three weeks vacation. The net proceeds of the concert given at the library on Thursday evening amounted to over \$30.

The food and fancy article sale held by the Women's Aid society last Friday yielded a profit of over \$55.

Miss Mitchell announces that the Bible readings which she has been giving at the Bethany Mission, will be held on Thursday afternoon, the same as heretofore.

There will be three services on Christmas day at St. James' church as follows: at 5:30; 8:30 and 10:30. The last service is to be a high mass. These masses are arranged so as to accommodate the people. The sessions will be held at St. James' on Friday afternoon and evening.

Father O'Connor announces that although he has received two or three offers from gentlemen who are willing to purchase the old Catholic rectory. He announced on Sunday that if any of his parishioners desired to buy the building they would be given the first opportunity. In any event he proposes to sell the house soon, and have the lot cleared ready for the beginning of the erection of the new church next spring.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Smith of North Haven, who died on Saturday, was held at St. James' Monday morning. The pall bearers were Daniel London, John Lawler, William Blamey and James McQuillan.

Mr. Alden Coe has returned from Vermont, much improved in health, and is now engaged in employment in Waterbury. Mr. and Mrs. George Coe were in town over Sunday.

Capt. and Mrs. Clinton, from Norfolk, Va., arrived this morning at the residence of Mrs. Adelaide Gunther, to remain through the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. David Coe intend to spend Christmas in Waterbury. Eleven children were born in town during the month of November—five boys and six girls.

Charles F. Judson, King street, has been saving his house decorated. At the dedication of the Devon chapel, last Sunday, the address was by Rev. George M. Brown of Bridgeport. Leo Fitzgerald has broken through the ice while skating and received the customary ducking.

Sheriff Stage has been suffering from a pretty bad cold. A trip south would benefit his health.

The new pond flooded for the boys to skate upon, is not far from Tea Party Lane.

The janitor of the Center School, Mr. Julius Judson, has had his bicycle stolen.

A lady in town announces that "The Christmas bells are ringing." This is a little forth putting, since there are three more days before Christmas.

Next Sunday evening there will be a Christmas concert at the Methodist church.

On the 22nd inst. it is announced that the Berea Young Club will give a supper and invite their friends to participate.

Saturday last Mr. and Mrs. George Fryer celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage. There was a gathering of friends and handsome presents were received.

A new kind of furniture has appeared in town called "the old English mission." Where the English comes in nobody can find out.

Sometimes ago it was proposed to send Mrs. Hugh Morrison to the Middletown asylum for the insane, but as that place is crowded, she was sent to Lakeview. There she has improved so much in health, that Selectman Wells proposes to let her remain until she recovers.



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